

BEARFACTS 1988 – 1998 Harlan, Kentucky [21095]

Harlan is one of 120 counties in Kentucky. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 1998 population of 34,230 ranked 28th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 1998 Harlan had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$14,275. This PCPI ranked 104th in the state and was 65 percent of the state average, \$22,043, and 53 percent of the national average, \$26,883. The 1998 PCPI reflected an increase of 1.7 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 5.7 percent and the national change was 6.1 percent. In 1988 the PCPI of Harlan was \$9,296 and ranked 92nd in the state. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 percent and for the nation was 4.5 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 1998 Harlan had a total personal income (TPI) of \$488,638*. This TPI ranked 40th in the state and accounted for 0.6 percent of the state total. In 1988 the TPI of Harlan was \$355,603* and ranked 33rd in the state. The 1998 TPI reflected an increase of 0.1 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 6.6 percent and the national change was 7.4 percent. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.8 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Harlan. In 1998 net earnings accounted for 46.8 percent of TPI (compared with 57.4 in 1988); dividends, interest, and rent were 14.1 percent (compared with 13.6 in 1988); and personal current transfer receipts were 39.1 percent (compared with 29.0 in 1988). From 1997 to 1998 net earnings decreased 2.0 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 1.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 2.2 percent. From 1988 to 1998 net earnings increased on average 1.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 3.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.4 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Harlan decreased from \$285,580* in 1997 to \$275,453* in 1998, a decrease of 3.5 percent. The 1997-1998 state change was 6.5 percent and the national change was 7.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1988 estimate of \$265,170* to the 1998 estimate was 0.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.6 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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^{*}Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.